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Attorney Docket No.: DIVER1200-3

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Jay M. Short Art Unit: 1652
Application No.: 09/753,752 Examiner: D.M. Ramirez
Filed: January 2, 2001 Confirmation No.: 1890
Title: SCREENING METHODS FOR ENZYMES AND ENZYME KITS

MAIL STOP RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a submission after the Notice of Appeal mailed December 16, 2003.

The requested extension is for four (4) months, extending the period from February 16, 2004 to June 16, 2004.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail on this date, June 14, 2004, in an envelope addressed to: MAIL STOP RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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June 14, 2004
(Date)

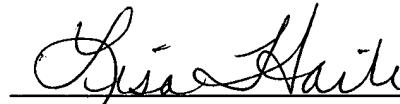
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Applicant claims **SMALL ENTITY** status in the above-identified application.

Enclosed is Check No. 561128 (\$1,125.00) in payment of the request for continued examination fee (\$385.00) and the four (4) months extension of time fee (\$740.00). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be associated with this communication, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1355. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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